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SUBJ: ASSISTANCE TO CHIEF, SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS SECURITY

FOR GENTILE FROM GLENN

- 1. REFERENCE IS MADE TO MUTUAL AIRWAYS SECURITY SUPPORT BETWEEN THIS OFFICE AND BRIGADIER (FORMER COLONEL) SAMPIE KLOPPER, CHIEF, SA AIRWAYS SECURITY, CONCERNING PROTECTION AGAINST SKYJACKING, SIMILAR MATTERS.
- 2. KLOPPER WILL DEPART FOR U.S. ON 2 NOVEMBER, ARRIVING KENNEDY AIRPORT VIA SA FLT SA-207, AT 0720 HOURS, SATURDAY, 3 NOVEMBER. PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO ARRANGE ADEQUATE SECURITY WITHIN U.S. FOR AIR SHIPMENTS OF PALLADIUM AND PLATINUM TOTALLING FOUR HUNDRED MILLION RAND (APPROX SIX HUNDRED MILLION U.S.) AT NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA AND LOS ANGELES.
- 3. KLOPPER DESIRES TO BE MET AT AIRPORT IF POSSIBLE AND WISHES CONTACT WITH FBI EARLIEST. WILL BE STAYING FOR DAY OR TWO AT SUMMIT HOTEL, LEXINGTON AND FIFTY-THIRD STREETS, NEW YORK, AND CAN BE CONTACTED THERE OR AT CITY OFFICE OF SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS.
- 4. BRIEFLY, KLOPPER DESIRES FBI OR APPROPRIATE AGENCY TO ARRANGE FOR MEETINGS IN NEW YORK, PHILADELPHIA AND LOS ANGELES WITH OFFICIALS NECESSARY TO CONCLUDE PROPER SECURITY PROTECTION FOR SHIPMENTS WITHIN THE U.S. CONFIDENTIAL

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5. KLOPPER BELIEVES TIME WILL PERMIT VISIT TO WASHINGTON, WHERE HE WOULD BE PLEASED TO MEET DIRECTOR OF FBI AND ALSO VISIT INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE, GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND. FYI: BRIG KLOPPER IS SENIOR OFFICIAL OF SOUTH AFRICAN RAILWAY POLICE (SARP) OF WHICH AIRWAYS SECURITY IS INTEGRAL PART AND HAS BEEN MENTIONED AS CANDIDATE FOR EVENTUAL APPOINTMENT AS COMMISSIONER. HE HAS BEEN INVALUABLE TO THIS OFFICE AND IN RESPECT TO ALL AIRWAYS SECURITY PROBLEMS IN SA. RSO BELIEVES IT TO U.S. INTEREST TO FACILITATE HIS VISIT AND TO LAY ON MEETINGS WITH KEY OFFICIALS IN AIRWAYS SECURITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT FIELD, AS WELL AS FEDERAL AVIATION CONTACTS REGARDING AIRWAYS SECURITY.

6. REQUEST YOUR OFFICE INSURE SUITABLE ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH APPROPRIATE FEDERAL AGENCY, NOTIFYING THIS OFFICE BY TELEGRAM OF TENTATIVE PLANS. HURD

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